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BREWSTER DEPUY

Nunda Banker Closes Career

December of 1987 marked the end of a family era at Nunda's only banking institution.

The retirement of Brewster DePuy, a vice-president of Central Trust, brought to a close a four generation connection with the community bank.

The DePuy family became associated with Nunda banking in 1876 when Peter DePuy, Brewster's great-grandfather, acquired stock and became a director of First National Bank. By 1895, when the charter expired, he had acquired nearly all of the stock, became sole owner and president, and changed the bank to a private institution known as Peter DePuy's Banking House.

Upon the death of Peter DePuy, about 1899, his son, Isaac Justin DePuy became president. At Isaac's death in 1928, four of his sons were associated with the bank in some capacity. Perry J. DePuy (father of Mrs. Lawrence Ryan) became president and chairman of the board. Earl E. was cashier, having joined the bank staff upon his return from the Navy in World War I. Perry DePuy died in 1968, and Earl became president and chairman of the board. He served in those positions until June of 1976 when the bank merged with Central Trust, a subsidiary of Irving Trust Co.

Brewster, son of Earl DePuy, joined the staff as assistant cashier in September of 1948. He served in the Navy where he had tours of duty in both the European and Pacific Theaters during World War II.

Over the years DePuy has served in many areas of community life. He was a charter member of the Nunda Ambulance Corps, a

member of the Board of Directors of the Livingston County Extension Service, a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church, and served on the Village Board. He also has served on the boards of Noyes Memorial Hospital and the Nunda Medical Center.

DePuy is a member and past president of the Nunda Rotary Club and belongs to the local fire department. He is a Presbyterian elder, serving on the Council of Trinity Church of Nunda where he is chairman of the Finance Committee.

He is married to Hope Stapley, formerly of Genesee, who was employed as school librarian for 36 years until retirement in 1981. They are the parents of Bret and Lydia DePuy and Carol and Brett Pierce. Their grandchildren are Stephen and Elizabeth DePuy and Joshua Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. DePuy anticipate several trips to New England and Canada. Modernizing their summer home in Silver Lake is one of future projects. Spending more time in Bible study, golfing, working in his woodlot, and collecting toy trains and antique tools are other interests he intends to pursue.

A quote from a 1962 issue of the Nunda News seemed appropriate today as it was then in reference to the DePuy family: "They are progressive—not in a showy, ostentatious way, but steadily and soundly, with a fine sense of selectivity for what is the most practical and enduring in modern trends. Faith in the future is not a vague, over-optimistic thing with them, it is something certain which rests on a solid foundation, for that is the way they build."

Refugee Couple Gain Citizenship at Ceremony

On Jan. 16, a party was hosted by Bill and Nancy Lisow in honor of Rasy and Momy Tauch who were recently granted American citizenship.

Rasy and Momy Tauch took their citizenship test at Buffalo last October. They received their citizenship in Rochester Jan. 12.

Cambodian refugee, Rasy Tauch, arrived in Nunda Apr. 3, 1981. He was sponsored by the Nunda Council of Churches. He had been at the Kaoidang Refugee Camp in Thailand and was brought to this country by Church World Service, as was his wife, Momy. He was met at the Monroe County Airport by the Rev. Larry Nallo, then pastor of Trinity Church of Nunda, and brought to Nunda, where he met the sponsoring committee.

His first apartment was in the Russell Bonadonna home, and later he moved to an apartment on East Street. During the one and a half years here, he worked

for the Village of Nunda and the Modern Home Center. He left Nunda for Rochester and further education and better job opportunities. He studied English for about five months and then studied electronics at the Indo-Chinese School for about six months. After working at a restaurant in Webster for a few months, he became employed at Simco Electronics Corp. in 1983, where he is still employed.

While at the Indo-Chinese School, he met his wife, Momy, who had arrived from the Thai Refugee Camp in 1982. Today, Rasy has his own home on Eldston Street in Rochester and his sponsored a refugee himself. He and Momy have three daughters ages five, three and one years.

Sary and Ra, also refugees who arrived in Nunda with Rasy, now live in Chelsea, Mass., where Sary has her own import business, and Ra is an interpreter in a large supermarket.

Church Installs Council

Members of the congregation and corporation of Trinity Church of Nunda had their annual meeting Jan. 19, following a church family dinner. Annual reports of committees and departments were presented and approved.

The Rev. Gordon Carter, Olive Lee, Janet Rapp, and Christina Schrier were elected to fill vacancies on the Council (the governing body of the church). After a service of ordination and installation, members of the Council for 1988 include Baptist representatives: Gordon Carter, Susie Jones, Karen Smith, and Donald Wiseman. Presbyterian elders on the Council include Brewster DePuy, Olive Lee, Janet Rapp, Winnie Raleigh, Lawrence Ryan, Christina Schrier, and Charles Shutt. Daria Ryan is also a council member.

Clerk of Council is Sharon Hagens. Ann Crandall is church treasurer, assisted by Marion Sor-tore. Delegates to the Nunda Council of Churches are Debbie Fluker, Patricia Foote, and Jack Morgan. Serving on the Nominating Committee are Marcia Ayers, Debbie Fluker, Richard Hooker, Jack Morgan, and Margaret Redmond. Delegates to TABCOMA (the American Baptist Churches of Monroe Association) are Gordon and Olive Carter. Delegate to the Presbytery of Genesee Valley is Elder Everett Strain with Elders P.D. MacVean and Charles Shutt serving as alternates.

Trinity Church is a federation of the American Baptist Churches, U.S.A. and the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. under the leadership of Rev. Judith Sutterlin, pastor.

On Sunday, Jan. 24, Christina Schrier was ordained an elder in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. Ordained elders and other former Council members in the congregation were invited to participate in the "Laying on of Hands" during the service. The installation of Christina, Olive Lee, Janet Rapp and Gordon Carter as newly-elected members of Council was led by Rev. Sutterlin.

Swain News

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Recent callers of Leila Pierce were Darcia Sawday and son, Shane, of Dansville, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rathbun of Atlanta and Audrey Glover and daughter, Julie, of Arkport.

It was 44 years ago that the garage and all the contents on the property of the late Will and Olive Swain burned to the ground. My late brother-in-law, William Pierce Sr., was burned severely and was hospitalized for months.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morrison of Canaseraga were recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Weaver, Jason and Tyler. At this writing, Kenneth Carnes is a patient in Noyes Memorial Hospital at Dansville.

Nunda's Personal Scene

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Essler, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kamp, and Mr. and Mrs. David Essler were in Rochester Jan. 23 to attend the funeral of Thomas Hale, a cousin of the Esslers.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hults of East Street included Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gebauer of Castile, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cori and family of Brighton, and Mr. and Mrs. William Jolliff and sons of Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rice of Church Street entertained at a family dinner Jan. 24 in honor of their daughter, Linda Jo's birthday. Guests were Mrs. Roy Hooker Sr., Mr. and Mrs. William Perry, Mr. and Mrs. James Calkins of Wyoming and Richard Hooker.

Recently, Robert Essler called on his daughters, Mrs. James Merrick of Gorvland and Mrs. Thomas Westhoven of Leicester.

Miss Jacinda Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morgan, has returned home from Wyoming Community Hospital where she had been a patient for a few days.

On Jan. 24, Mr. and Mrs. David Essler traveled to Binghamton where they met Mr. and Mrs. Steven May and daughter, Tiffany and Capri, of Schenectady. They enjoyed dinner together in celebration of Mrs. Essler's birthday. Enroute, they took Robert Essler to visit his son, Richard, in Bath.

Recently, Mrs. William Rymer entertained at dinner in honor of Mrs. Earl Redmond's birthday. Guests also included Mrs. Marze Blair and Mrs. Alfred Ludwig.

Debbie Essler, daughter of Mr. Albert Essler of Nunda, and Jack Essler of Dansville, has received an appointment as postmistress in Nichols, N.Y. which is located between Waverly and Binghamton. Last week, she and her two daughters moved to Nichols from Gilbertsville where she had been postmistress.

On Jan. 24, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Russell entertained at a family dinner in honor of their son-in-law Larry Mallaber's birthday. Guests

were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Mallaber and daughters, Amy and Melissa, Mrs. Quentin VanNostrand of Dalton, Mrs. Arland Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Russell, and Dana Russell.

Helen Piper and Gerry Clark of Rochester were visiting in Nunda Friday, Jan. 29. Helen is a former resident of Nunda.

Stephen Marano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Augustine "Gus" Marano of Fair Street, has returned to college after spending the winter recess with his parents. Stephen is a sophomore majoring in biology at Pennsylvania State University.

Stephen DePuy of Guile Rd., accompanied his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Brewster DePuy, to Utica, where they attended the Toy Collector's Train Show.

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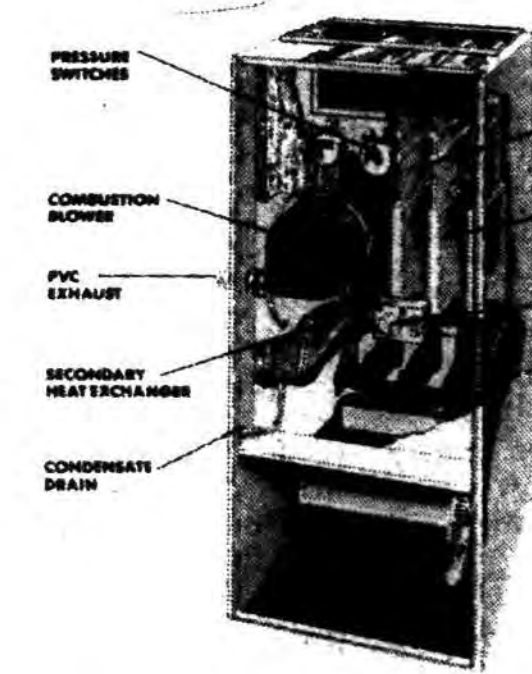
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